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COORDINATING COMMITTEE

RECORD OF STATEMENT BY THE ITALIAN DELEGATION

ON

PROPOSED ITALIAN EXPORT OF BORON PRODUCTS TO

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

25th July, 1960

Present: Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States.

References: COCOM 3232, 4042 and 4084.

The Delegate introduced his Delegation's Memorandum (COCOM Document 4084) in which an earlier request to export 500 tons of boric acid to Czechoslovakia contained in COCOM Document 3232 was re-submitted for the consideration of the Committee. The Delegate pointed out that this request was almost identical to a subsequent United Kingdom case which had received approval from the majority of delegations (COCOM 4042). He explained that this export would take place within the framework of a Trade Agreement between Italy and Czechoslovakia, under whose terms Italian imports of finished products including boron would amount to \$ 4,000,000. Moreover the quantity of finished products containing boron to be imported by Italy would account for a quantity much greater than the boric acid proposed for export (enamel, glassware, etc.). In conclusion the Delegate asked the Committee to set an early date for the views of Member Governments.